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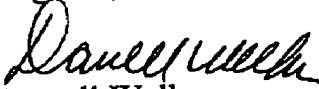
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Attached is a response to the restriction requirement for the above-identified application number 10/729,733.

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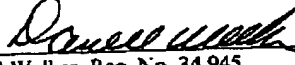
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**Response to Restriction Requirement**

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 14, 2006. The Examiner has separated the claims in the present application into three groups. Group I includes claims 1-6. Group II includes claims 7-9. Group III includes claims 10-15. In accordance with the Examiner's instructions and 37 CFR 1.143, Applicants elect with traverse the claims identified by Examiner in Group III. Applicant asserts that the claims of groups II and III are not patentably distinct and should be considered together in the same application.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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